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NSC BRIEFING

24 April 1956

DEMOTION OF BULGARIAN PREMIER CHERVENKOV

I. Bulgaria shifts premiers

A. Possible increase in Satellite autonomy.

II. [redacted] 25X1

B. Bulgarian central committee decision

III. Chervenkov--deposed premier

A. Stalinist

B. Won fight versus Kostov (1949)

C. "Titoist" Kostov now rehabilitated.

IV. Yugov--new premier

A. Kostov supporter

B. Fell...and rose

C. "Collective leadership"

V. Diplomatic relations with US

A. Charges--minister Heath "abetted" Kostov

B. Yugov formal apology? Bulgarians want relations

C. Shipkov trial

VI. Move partly done to please Yugoslavs

A. Yugoslavs in Belgrade still critical...expect more

B. [redacted]..Yugov "reliable"...almost "our man" 25X1

C. Improved relations...nothing startling

VII. Balkan Federation

A. Any discussionin long-range terms only

B. Yugov upheld Bulgaria

C. Yugoslav-Greek relations

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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